GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA

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Afforestation in Tamil Nadu
Sathyabama Smt. V.

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request from the State Government of Tamil Nadu for Greening and afforestation projects in the State;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to expedite the release of the funds for the same; and
(c) the total amount released during the last three years as against the total funds sanctioned during the corresponding periods?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a)to (b) The Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change has two Centrally Sponsored afforestation Schemes (CSS) namely National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme and the Green India Mission (GIM) for afforestation and eco-restoration of degraded forests and adjoining landscapes with participatory approach. The proposal from the State Government of Tamil Nadu under NAP for current year has been received in the ministry. The proposal has been approved for Central share of Rs.246.26 lakhs and an amount of Rs. 156.35 lakhs has been released as first installment. Under GIM an amount of Rs. 72.15 lakhs has been released to Tamil Nadu for preparatory activities during the year 2011-12. The proposal for perspective plan under GIM has been received in the year 2014. Since the proposal was not as per the GIM Guidelines, it was sent back to the State Government for revision. No further proposal has been received from the State under GIM.

(c) The details of funds sanctioned and released during the last three years under NAP and GIM are given in Annexure.

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